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| Applicant:    | HIDENOBU HAMADA  | Examiner:         | SUNG H. PAK   |
| Serial No.:   | 10/071,617       | Group Art Unit:   | 2874          |
| Filed:        | February 8, 2002 | Docket No.:       | 10873.878US01 |
| Customer No.: | 23552            | Confirmation No.: | 1855          |
| Title:        | OPTICAL DEVICE   |                   |               |

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 13, 2003, please consider and enter the following amendments and remarks. Claims 1-38 remain pending in the application.

Amendments to the claims begin at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin at page 18 of this paper.

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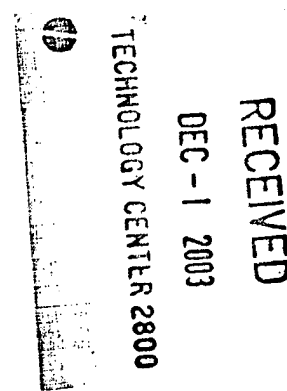
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Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing.
- ☒ Amendment in response to Office Action mailed August 13, 2003.
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$288.00 for additional claims.
- ☒ Return postcard.



## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| Claims Remaining After Amendment |   | Highest Number Previously Paid For |   | Present Extra |   | Rate  |   | Fee      |
|----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|---------------|---|-------|---|----------|
| Total Claims                     |   |                                    |   |               |   |       |   |          |
| 38                               | - | 22                                 | = | 16            | x | 18.00 | = | \$288.00 |
| Independent Claims               |   |                                    |   |               |   |       |   |          |
| 2                                | - | 3                                  | = | 0             |   | 84.00 |   | \$0.00   |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE     |   |                                    |   |               |   |       |   | \$0.00   |
| TOTAL FILING FEE                 |   |                                    |   |               |   |       |   | \$288.00 |

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers or any future reply, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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